

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
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SELECTION IN A GEARBOX FORMING PART OF  
A VEHICLE

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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:**

The following amendments and remarks are provided in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated April 28, 2006.